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SUBJECT: ECOSOC COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR
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1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED PROPOSED REVISION OF TEXT OF INTERNATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (ON QUANTIFIED RESEARCH TARGETS) AS WELL
AS PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPERT GROUP ON SAME SUBJECT WITH
MME. VERVALCKE, DIRECTOR FOR MULTILATERAL COOPERATION IN
DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN MINISTRY.
WE URGED THAT GOB NOMINATE WELL-QUALIFIED DELEGATE TO EXPERT
GROUP AND ASKED HER VIEWS ON QUANTIFICATION.

2. VERVALCKE NOTED THAT PROPOSALS ARE ON AGENDA FOR CURRENT
ECOSOC MEETING IN GENEVA AND SAID SHE WOULD ASK BELGIAN REP TO
SOUND OUT OTHER COUNTRIES AS TO LEVEL OF DELEGATES THEY PLAN TO
APPOINT TO EXPERT GROUP. IF LEVEL IS REASONABLY HIGH, SHE WILL
CONSIDER ASKING SEC-GEN OF SCIENCE POLICY SERVICE TO SERVE.
COMMENT: SEC-GEN IS HIGHEST LEVEL CIVIL SERVANT IN GOB SCIENCE
POLICY HIERARCHY.

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3. VERVALCKE WAS FAVORABLY IMPRESSED BY LEVEL OF US REPRESENT-

ATION (ASSISTANT DIRECTOR BECKLER) BUT WAS SOMEWHAT DOUBTFUL ABOUT IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO EXPECT GROUP BY OTHER COUNTRIES. SHE MENTIONED, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT SUBJECT OF QUANTIFICATION WAS NOT RAISED AT RECENT OECD MEETING (MIXED PLANNING GROUP ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY).

4. ON CONCEPT OF QUANTIFIED TARGETS, VERVALCKE BELIEVES THAT, WHILE PROPOSAL FOR REVISION OF IDS TEXT WILL PROBABLY BE ADOPTED BY ECOSOC, QUANTIFICATION IS AN ILLUSORY GOAL AND REVISION WOULD HAVE NO PRACTICAL EFFECT.
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